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DATE: 30 October 1952

FROM : General Counsel

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] whose last name was originally [REDACTED], is a former OSS employee who has been subpoenaed to testify before the McCarran Subcommittee. He was in South Africa for several years and was terminated in 1945. He had extensive knowledge of operations, techniques, and the personnel involved, both our own and allied. The security record is not as complete as it might be, but he apparently admitted being a Communist organizer aboard Merchant Marine vessels during the 30s, but claimed when he came to OSS that he was no longer a Communist. Investigations did not reveal any conclusive proof that he was ever a member of the Communist party. Apparently the case was reviewed by Whitney Shepardson personally and the Security Officer. The FBI has had full access to all this information.

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